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IN RE APPLICATION OF

EXAMINER: Rebecca L. Anderson

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ART UNIT: 1626

APPLICATION NO: 09/994,012 FILED: NOVEMBER 16, 2001

FOR: HETEROCYCLIC SUBSTITUTED 2-METHYL-BENZIMIDAZOLE

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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

## RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed February 3, 2003 for which a response was due on May 5, 2003 (since May 3, 2003 fell on a Saturday). A Petition (in duplicate) for a One Month Extension to Reply is submitted herewith which extends the due date to June 3, 2003.